## Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Holly Shantz has dedicated the last 21 years to ensuring complete and accurate filing of vital records within the Department of Health; and,

Whereas, Holly joined the office in 1983, and has served as the state nosologist ever since, assigning the underlying cause of death code to death certificates filed in South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Holly has placed her personal stamp of approval on approximately 209,500 births; and,

Whereas, Holly prides herself in the high quality of data on South Dakota's vital records and works hard to ensure the data is accurate; and,

Whereas, As a result of Holly's work, South Dakota has received the National Center for Health Statistic's National Vital Statistics System Award 4 out of the last 5 years; and,

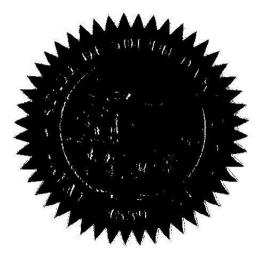
Whereas, Holly has played an active role in the design of a computer system to file birth, death and marriage records electronically; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper to honor this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of her retirement from the Department of Health on April 23, 2004:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2004, as

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in South Dakota, and I join her many friends and colleagues in offering Holly best wishes for a healthy, happy, and enjoyable retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirtieth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Chris Nelson Secretary of Stat

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